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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **KUROSAKI, Toru, et al.**

Group Art Unit: **2826**

Serial No.: **10/607,083**

Examiner: **Tan N. TRAN**

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For: **SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING ACTIVE GROOVES**

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
- EXPEDITED RESPONSE -
GROUP ART UNIT 2826

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 10, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 17, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.